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Mrs. E. E. Smith, Smithville: Mrs. W. O. Evans, Groveton; Mrs. N. E. Howers, city; J. S. Williamson, Philadelphia; J. W. Hunt.

Evaiss. Groveton; Mrs. N. E. Howers, city; J. S. Williamson, Philadelphia; J. W. Hunt, Navasota; E. C. Kaber, Sedalin; P. H. Carnes, Waco; Dr. J. H. Adams, Silabee, Texas; James O. Hayworth, Chicaro; A. B. Foster, Dailas; John Lagon, Gatesville; D. S. Sessions, city; T. M. Coleman, city; Walton C. Smither, city; C. A. Weed, St. Louis; Herry A. Woods, Dailes; J. W. Evans, Frenbern; E. G. Myers, Chicaro; Miss Annie anderson, Varden, Miss; Mrs. J. W. Bedford, Omaha, Neb.; Miss, Bodford, Omaha, Neb.; W. H. Rogers, Galveston; James T. Toylor, Galveston; H. Roberts, city; J. C. Andrews, city; Chas, Froes, city; F. L. Charman, Coero; Miss Katle Beach, Luling; Kenseth Brandon, North Carolina; Homer Jarricen, Timeson, Texas; S. T. Tooke, Galveston; Etta L. Gray, Richmond; J. L. Hearne, Engle Lake; Mrs. A. D. Hearne, New York; Miss Hearne, New York; P. Stedman, St., Youkism; W. H. Ziess, Midway Farm; Mrs. G. Fiseber, Temple, Texas; E. J. Hussion, Salvasion.

succeeded in fluding out what he went after from the railroad coroporations books kept at that point. Information with regard to the object of his trip is being strictly withheld.

It is understood that Expert Underbil will start out on an investigating tour Monday. He is not giving out his route for publication.

Attorneys Question the Constitution

ality of the Measure Because

Passed at an Extra Session.

Austin. Texas, December 31.-Railroad

Commission Expert Askew returned from

Palestine today, having from all account

MAY NOT BE LEGAL.

Attorneys Question the New Kansas

Railroad attorneys are inclined to queson the constitutionality of the special session of the Kansas legislature now con-PAII trains arrive and depart from the Grand rai depot accept the Missouri, Kansas and Texas is, which have a depot in the Fifth ward, the Instead and Great Northern, Galvestee, Houston Henderson, and Columbia Tap, which use the mattenational and Great Northern depot on Congrues use. The Missouri, Kansas and Texas trains a the International and Great Northern depot. vened at Topeka. Under the State constitution the legislature may meet only once in form some idea of the growing city and two years, and after it has adjourned it can not be reconvened, and all its functions Section 5 of article 1 of the quantitution

says that the governor may, on extraordinary occasions, convene the legislature by proclamation. By no excetch of imagination, say the radiway lawyers, can the present time be termed an extraordinary occasion, seeing that a regular session of the legislature will be he within three weeks from the date set by the governor for the beginning of the extra cession. But the question as to who is to be the judge of what constitutes an extraordinary occusion is not sected.

is not settled by the constitution.

While the constitution of the proposed new court which is to have control over all railway affairs is comewhat in doubt, the powers of such a court may cover a wide range. Among them are not only questions concerning the fixing of rates, but power to deal with strikes and disputes over the right to appoint receivers for roads which may not obey the orders of the court. Although the latter point is one which the roads say could never be enforced, at II it is one which can give them considerable antoyance, as the Santa Fe found some

Another disquisting feature in the situat on from the standpoint of the roads, is the fact that the present State senate holds over for another two years, and can therefore block any reptal legislation which the new republican representatives might at-tempt to put through. The special session will be over in less than two weeks, and will be over in less than two weeks, and before that time the rallways will know

THE COAL ROADS.

Vanderbilts Now Control the Lacka-wang-Pool Possible. New York, December 31 .- The Tribune

Bercial men. Rates, \$2.50 to \$4.00 per day. Strictly firs' class.
J. G. Smither, Huntaville, Geo. N. Otey. Huntaville; J. W. Ross, New Orleans; Williard Clase, St. Joe. Mo.; C. E. Shipp, New Orleans; Leon Schwab, St. Louis, Mo.; S. Guin an, Boston; Guy M. Bryan, Jr., Bryan, E. P. Via and wife, Lockhaet, Texas; R. J. Ewaringen, Brenham; P. K. Buckirk, Bloomfocton, Ind.; R. M. Brown, Whatton; C. Arthur Williams, Houston; M. L. Warmack, Houston; W. E. Jones and wife, Despwater; Miss Jasper Gibbs, Despwater; Mrs. O. T. Hell, Houston; F. W. Norris, Dallas, Robt, E. Gorse, Waco; W. W. Wilson, Beaumont; H. T. Blair, Austin; Sam Stringfellow, Austin. It is believed that the recent heavy buying of Reading securities foreshadows the perfecting of an arrangement for the harmonious operation of all the coal roads. It is generally understood that the Vanderbilts have secured a controlling interest in the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, which has long been a more or less disturbing element in the anthracite business and that at the annual meeting of that road in February a complete change in its management and policy will be effected.

the Vanderbilts, both in the Lockswanna board and in the conduct of their owa property and are believed to be perfectly willing to join in an active movement for the improvement of the anthracite situa-tion. The Vanderbilt interests are sus-pected to have been for some time large buyers of Ontario and Western and other cal stocks as well as Reading, and their large holdings in these roads will give them a nowerful influence in their endeavor to effect a working agreement which shall insure to the coal roads harmony of interest and a larger profit than has accured to the months of the coal roads. to them under the old policy of operation

JUDSON HARMON RECEIVER.

Placed in Control of the Baltimore and Ohio Southwesters. Cincinnati, Ohio, December 31.—In the management of the Hutchins House, the old established hetel. Everything will be found in first class condition. All we sak is a trial. circuit court of the United States at Cincionati today on application of the Mercautile Trust company of New York appointed Hon. Judson Harmon, former atceiver of the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern rallway. Judge Harmon's appointment has given greet satisfaction, as he is very conversant with the property It is expected that the receivership will It is expected that the receivership will be of short durution, as the plan which is promulgated for the reorganization of the property will be speedily consummated. Under this plan ample provision is made for moneys necessary to make substantial improvements of the property which it is expected will put it in a position to be profitably and advantageously operated. The plan protects every interest even to the payment of coupons due January 1, as the syndicate will pay face wilne on such coupons in cash on all bonds deposited under the plan.

NEW TRAIN SERVICE

Between St. Louis and San Francisco THE NEW KANSAS LAW MAY BE ILLEGAL

In conversation with General Passenge and Ticket Agent Parks of the Southern Pacific company yesterday, he said that to accommodate the large number of tourists who desired to travel between St. Louis and San Francisco, commencing with January 6 a second-class tourist car service would be put on, trains running once a week each way between these two great central points. The trains will leave St. Louis and San Francisco on Friday of each week and consume about four days in making the run. There will be no stops made except those

cessary to the running of the trains and the route from St. Louis will be via the Frisco, Texas Midiand, Houston and Texas Central, Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio and continue on over the Pacific system of the Southern Pacific company.

The sleeping cars will be supplied with comfortable bedding and the toilet rooms zot so sumptuously upholstered. These trains of course passing through Houston each way, going and coming, will make a reasonable stop here as may be required to replenish the requirements of the service and afford hundreds of passengers to its advantages.

A CHAMBERS CREEK SUIT.

A. B. Yantis Wants Twenty Thousand Waco, Texas, December 31.—A. B. Yanus, brother of State Senator J. E. Yantis of this city, filed suit today against the Houston and Texas Central Railway company for \$20,700 damages for injuries received in the Chambers creek wreck, September 28, 1898, Ten thousand for personal injuries, \$10,000 for mental anguish, \$300 for doctors' hills and \$400 for loss of time is the way Mr. Yantis classifies his dam-

An Interesting Relie. A time table used on the Houston and Texas Central railroad in 1866 was exhibited in The Post's editorial rooms vestervages and other labor interests, and also day. The line then extended from Houston roads to Millican, a distance of eighty miles. The eighty miles were covered in seven and a half hours. The stations named are Houston, Gum Island, Cypress, Hock-ley, Hempstead, Courtney, Navasota and

> Baltimore, Md., December 31.—Judge Morris, in the United States circuit court, signed today on order extending the suthority of Receivers Cowan and Murray of the Baltimore and Oblo railway and its many branches. The object of the order is to facilitate the reorganization of the

> San Antonio, Texas, December 31 .- It is stated in railway circles that a meeting of traffic representatives of all Texas lines will be held here on January 5, at which time important matters will be considered.

Notes and Personals. The eastbound Southern Pacific, due at 7 clock, was two hours and fifty minutes.

Mr. R. A. Stacy of the Texas Car Service association returned from a business trip to Beaumont yesterday.

General Freight Agent Farrel of the Cotton Belt, with headquarters at Tyler, spent yesterday in the city, but returned to his office last night. J. T. Mahl, superintendent of the main-

tenance of way for the Southern Pacific interests, arrived from New York yester-day, accompanied by his wife.

clerks in the Houston and Texas Central freight claim department, is still confined to his home, suffering with the grip.

Mr. Duncan Beil, one of the leading clerks of the Texas and New Orleans rail-road local freight station, left last night for San Antonio, but will return tomorrow. The "Secret Service" theatrical company left via the eastbound Southern Pacific last night for New Orleans, where they play tonight at the Crescent opera house of that

Mr. O. H. Roed, stemographer in the Hous-ton and Texas Central general freight of-fice, left last night for Dullas, to spend the first day of the year with particular

has been cut on a four of inspection of the road as far as El Paso, left there yester-day homeward bound, and may be expected in the city in a day or two.

Mr. C. B. Segar, auditor of the Texas and New Orleans railroad in this city, went to New Orleans yesterday to spend the New Year with his family there. They

air. W. A. delcharts, Laveling Lassenger agent of the Southern Pacific company, after spending a week in Mataxorda county killing deer and shooting at bear, left last night for New Cleans on passenger business.

The Santa Fe announces that commencing Monday, January 2, the midday train between Houston and Galveston will be discontinued, except on Sundays. This train will leave Houston at 1:50 p. m. every Sunday, as heretofore.

Superintendent Taft of the Wells-Fargo Express company, who went with his secretary and stenographer to investigate the robbery of \$80,000 at San Antonio, has not yet returned to the city, but is expected home daily, when a statement of his experience, may be expected.

Mr. Horace Lynn Boach, who has been connected with the general freight offices of the Houston and Texas Central rai road for a number of years as stenographer,

Mr. Tilfor, doing the same class of wark in the office of Passenger Agent L. J. Parks, will supply the vacancy.

Mr. A. V. Kellogz of the Houston and Texas Central engineering department left last night for Louissans to wisk his friend, Mr. A. Vincent. They will spend a portion of the New Year in sheeting wild seeme, and the former gentleman says that success is already assured from the quantity of same in that quarter.

It is known that on account of the

**NEW YEAR'S HEARTY WELCOME** 

Various Railroad Offices and Shope Close Tomorrow So that the Em-

ployes May Celebrate.

Every locomotive engineer in the city who sat at his accustomed place on the right side of the ergine can last night, paused with listening expectancy just a moment before midnight awaiting the sigto pull the walker at the aret cap of the bell from the market tower announce ing the skip for all time of 1898. The privilege of playing a tattoe with the whistle, or trying to make a calliope out of a locomotive, is one only enjoyed by an engineer; generally accorded but once a year, and as attested by multitudinous whistles of various note and tone at the opening of the present day, it was fully tuken advantage of.

It was also an expression from them to all the people of the city who were on the watch, that though duty required them to tles to express railroad men's appreciation lic with a fitting reception of a new-born creature in the very extensive family of

In order to celebrate the New Year in a still more extensive and becoming manner, the Houston and Texas Central rall-road and Southern Pacific machine and car shops closed up yesterday about noon and will not resume operations until Tuesday morning. The railroad offices, but with possibly a few imperative exceptions, will close at least half of the day tomoroffice will close for the telre day on Monday to allow their clerks the enjoy-ment of making their customary New went of making their customary New Year's calls. Quite a few of the clerks took advantage of the time till Tuesday morning and will pay their holiday visits among friends or relatives of other cities or towns, and quite a number of railroad passes were issued yesterday to facilitate

CHRISTMAS POT PIE

By the Sunday School of the Cum-berland Presbyterian Church. The Sunday school of the Cumberland Presbyterian church had their Christmas relebration on Thursday night at the chapel on Fannin and Pease. The house was well decorated with evergreens, chrysanthemums, etc. Beautiful mottoes of "Merry Christmas," "Good Will to Men" were conspicuous on the walls These were arranged by Mrs. Bass. Mrs. Cunningham, Mrs. Bass, Miss Lilla Bass, Miss Theresa Robbins and others arranged the presents and beautifully trammed in disage paper the outside of the pot con-adning the "pot pie." Mrs. Joseph Meyer contributed a beautiful display of page flowers. Mrs. Bass furnished excellent music on the organ. All the exercises were highly enjoyed by the large audience present, but the pantomime of Anale and Willie's prayer elicited great interest. With Mozart Jackson as Anale and Clarence Gelselman as Willie and Lillian Lanier as Futher, the performance was very enjoyed. With the curtain thrown the appearance of little Annie and Willie on the trundle bed, kneeling in their gowns to pray for Santa Claus to come. their joy when the morning came at the sight of the presents, their elmost perfect rendering of the words of the two characters brought, as if by magic, the whole autience to its feet. It would be difficult to surpass this performance of these two

The programme was as follows:
Prayer School
Song, "The Nativity" S hool

Mozart Joskson and Clarence Geiselman The classes of the school were then called and Mr. G. D. Vaughan opened the "pot pie" and distributed therefrom oranges, candy and puts to each one of the happy children. A few words from the

List of packages remaining on hand with Wells, Fargo & Co. for the weeking ending Saturday, December 31, 1898;

Saturday, December 31, 1898;

Miss A. E. Allen, Charles Alexander, W. S. Baldwin, Mary Blalock, Sheldon; James Baker, Parthena Browa, George B. Beck, Jos. Bradford, Rev. W. Benchner, J. D. Bright, Hert Bulker, Roy Bulckner, Irma Bray, Anna Branch, William Ballinger, R. S. Cooper, J. D. Davis, William Dorst, John Duncan, Jeseph Estorge, Otto Eckert, Aldine; J. S. Edwards, Elia Franklin, M. E. Fite, Sheldon; C. G. Garnetti, C. W. Garrett, Mrs. C. M. Gould, C. L. Harby, John A. Harvin, Emma Hines, Claude Hamilton, C. E. January, I. M. Jones, Nellis Jacobs, N. Kulp, R. A. Moore, A. B. Meagher, R. McSnan, Hanna Mines, W. C. Preston, F. R. Pugh, Mrs. E. J. Pierson, C. W. Robinson, Lena Sellers, C. Scharp, F. C. Sanders, Lynchburg; E. B. Taylor, L. Washington, Tom Waldron, W. H. White, H. E. Wade, Brunner, Texas.

List of goods on hand at Pacific Express empany's office for week ending Decembe

St. 1898:
Agents Supply company, L. Betts, Wm. Baker, Mrs. M. A. Bailey (2), Mrs. S. Bisby, G. H. Coleman, A. I. Coons, C. G. Curt's, D. N. Clarke, R. W. Chandler, M. G. Dick, H. A. Ellis, J. Edmonds, E. E. Fisch, W. L. Foley, M. Flaxman, Miss Francis of "Yale" company Ernest Gleseke, J. Glammalva, M. L. Harris, C. R. Herclogs, Alfef; Mrs. W. T. Jones, Wallace Johnson, J. A. Kirk, A. S. Ludtke, J. C. Locd, W. J. Miller, C. McGu're, Annie Moore, Magnolia Scap company, H. E. Mergan, Captain G. McCormick, Mrs. L. W. Martil, Mrs. H. Meyers, N. Pressler, Benner; C. Roberts, Ten Rue, N. G. Roberts, C. Robb, M. Sachs, C. B. Scaly, B. Scott, Pater Sullidina, M. Vinceré, Billie Wilson, J. R. Windle, F. P. Wareham.

THE SALE CONFIRMED.

That Hig Cotton Plant that Harris To the Editor of The Post.

County Captures. I am glad to appounce to Mr. H. T. D. Wilson, when even by a sporter yesterday concerning the big land deal and the location of a \$125,000 co ton and brothers in Waco, the first time I thirty years we have all been together. been advised by his representative at Chi-cago that the deal for the land had been consummated, but as three different eltes were under negotiation he could not ray what properly had been purchased or exactly where that cotton mill would be locuted, but the selection of any of the ates would locate the plant in Harris

National Legion.

There was a new lodge of the National egion created last night, with twenty-

president; Dick Latchford, vice president;
Andrew Perry, counseller; Samuel Green,
secretary; H. E. McDonald, collector; Sam
Lake, treasurer; J. J. Whalen, protector;
Andrew Kuhn, cheolate; Peter Bradshaw,
guide; P. E. Rasch, warden; Wm. Robincon, sentry; Bruce Wallace, M. D., medical examiner; James Cochran, J. H.
Broecker and J. J. Blaskie, trustees.

THE FAITH HOME.

Christmus Celebration by the Chil-On Christmas eve the little children at Faith beme were made very happy by a

tree loaded with bright and pretty things for their amusament, comfort and p.e.sure. Accompanying it was a large, beautifully written card as follows: To the Children of FAITH HOME.

From Mrs. T. J. Atwood and her pupils of the Houston Kindergarten and Pri-mary School. A Merry Casamas and a Happy New Year.
"It is more blessed to give than to re-

NAMES OF PUPILS.

Eloise Beazeley, Paxton Peazeley, Elmer Sweeney, Chilord Weise, Sam Gage, Whil-iam Kelly, Verme Johnson, Alma Vogs, Sanset Wood, Laura Hudson, Milda How-Sameet Wood, Laura Hudson, Milda How-eil, Julian Stermer, Herman Stermer, Em-mie Kutschbach, Sidney Larue, Eugene Larue, Lucille Skinner, Willie Johnson, Edwin Turner, Ora Hardy, Marie Weber, Carrie Alexander, Mabel Andrews, Cordia Puman, Ruby Horn, Tunie Leamerbery, Leah Wither, Enka Atwood, Lenu Pizer, Johnnie Johnson, Charley, Turner, Lea-Johnnie Johnson, Chauncey Turner, Les-ter Charlton, Mattle Merritt, Lina Jones, Ella Vogt, McDuff Brumby, Wille Scheultz, Annie Schueltz, Sadie Pizer and

Clara Hudson.

The tree was placed in the dining room of the new building, not quite ready for occupancy, and when the little ones were taken in and saw it brightly lighted the r screams of pleasure resounded through the vacant rooms. Their baby arms were filled with toys and goodles. Such a productive tree it was by New Year's eve the branches were full again and furnished another merry, happy time.

another merry, happy time.

A few donations in the way of furnishing, etc., have been sent to the new home. one of which is the fine oil painting of Mrs. Keziah De Pelchin, painted from a photograph in the possession of Mrs. T. W. House by Mr. L. L. Cohen and the frame donated by Mr. Koph, for which a vote of thanks was given them by the ladies of the

One of the recent contributions was six new mattresses by Mr. Louis Stiles, six chairs by Mr. Greenberg and a dining table from the firm of Smith & Hudson.

The net proceeds from the sale of until

cles in the association exhibit at the Fruit, Flower and Vevebible Festival amounts to far to \$25.75, and \$10 given as prize for best association exhibit. The promoters of this fund were all given a vote of thanks, especially Mrs. J. B. Beauty, Mrs. M. V. Tejan, Mrs. William Christian, Miss Jones, Mrs. P. Carter Walker and those lending handsome articles to the exhibit. The next meeting of the association will

be held as usual at Shearn chapel at 9:30 o'clock Tuesday morning, January 3. It will be the regular time and meeting for the annual election of officers.

Rev. John E. Green, will address the nen's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. hall

this afternoon at 4 o'clock. The subject of his address will be "Sensible Risolutions." Young men who wish to hear a good New Year's address and at the same time begin the New Year right should attend the A good time is expected at the rooms on

Monday, when the Ladies' Auxiliary, assisted by a large number of young ladies, will receive the friends of the association from 4 to 8 p. m. Light refreshments will be served and a good musual programme will be given after 8 o'clock in the hall. The programme will appear in tomorrow's

Mr. W. W. Sloan, Jr., and family of Arcadia went on the Southern Pacific last night to San Antonio to spend a portion of Mr. Charles B. Peck, superintendent of the Car Service association, is expected home today, after spending a pleasant Mome today, after spending a pleasant Mome today, after spending a pleasant Mome today. rk on next Friday at 5 o'clock p. m.

YESTERDAY'S FIRES.

A Fire Department Horse Badly

There were six fire alarms sounded yesterday from various portions of the city, but as seems to have been the rule of late. no damage was done in any case to exceed \$10. They were roof fires, or ginating from burning flues, and there was but Harde, R. A. Cabaniss, Wm. Reichardt, little work necessary to extinguish them.

While the buggy of the assistant chief, driven by Fireman J. J. Ollre, was going to the first fire alarm, sounded at 9:12 o'clock, the front axle of the vehicle broke and serious damege was dene to the horse, who insited on a continual keking at the fallon axle, kicking off shoes from both hind feet and damaging his fetlocks so badly that he was unable to walk and was taken to the central fire station on a cotton float. It is thought that the animal is so badly injured that he will never regain the use of his njured feet, in which case he will probably be shot to alleviate his sufferings.

SOME PROMOTIONS.

Captain Franklin Made Major of the First Texas-Others Advanced. Capitain T. H. Franklin of the Emmet Rifles, company C. First Texas regiment, will receive a very substantial New Year's present in the following order that was issued yesterday from the adjutant generul's office at Austin:

General Order No. 34.

The following promotions and appointments are hereby made in the First regiment, Texas United States Volunteer infantry, to take effect on January 1, 1889; Captain T. H. Franklin, to be major, vice Roberdona, resigned.

First Lieutenant O. C. Drew, Jr., to be captain company C, vice Franklin, promoted.

Second Lieutenant Ivan Murchison, to be first lieutenant company C. vice Drew,

A. P. Wozencraft, Adjutant General.

I am glad to announce to the people of Houston that I am back with them after a very (featunt ime spent with my mother

and brothers in Waco, the first time in

my attention and have been engaged ever needy and in distributing clothes and groctice to the poor. I have had a great number of requests for aid since I returned to the city, and in most of the cases was able to help to some extent; but here are claims I can not possibly meet without some more assistance from the good people of Houston. The weather is cold and very trying an poor women and children and sick people generally and I am constantly being asked for fuel of one kind or another. I am compelled to case more make this appeal to the generous hearted public, who have stood by me in the past. Donations of fuel and groceries, or the means to purchase them, will be gladly received by me and I can always be received.

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A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL.

We thank the public for their patronage in the past, and wish a Happy and Prosperous New Year to all.

J. S. Dunlay Hardware Comp'y

room No. 6.

I feel thankful to the public for the assistance received from it in the past and have courage and hope for the future. I wish to one and all of my friends of the poor of the city, a happy and prosperous New Year. Joe S. Yarbrough, For Houston Charity and Relief Associ-

SOME FAITHFUL WORKERS

Within the Membership of the Wash ington Street Methodist Church. Washington Street Methodist church can post of some of the most faithful workers in the city. Through the efforts of the ladies, a little over a year ago new pews were put in the church, increasing the seating capacity and adding greatly to the comfort of the congregation. The pews are made of oak, natural wood finish, with lifting seats. Not being content with this great improvement they have, through their untiling efforts, just put down a lovely new carpet, covering the entire church floor and pulpit, which adds beauty and comfort and makes a visitor feel as if he were entering a well furnished parior. An oak finish communion table has been added to the furniture, which, when graced with the lovely silver communion service, presented by Mr. and Mrs. Beazley, adds beauty to the sacramental occasions.

Last, but not least by any means, may be mentioned the work of the Epworth

League. They have presented the church with a lovely full combination organ which fills the house with its beautiful strains and makes the hearts of the people throb with gratefulness that they have within their midst a young people, the coming generation, who have for their motto "All for Christ."

With the new year, Mr. W. J. Platt, who has been manager for Messrs. Henke & Pillot for some time, will retire from that firm to engage in business on his own account. In consequence of this change the employes of the house corralles Mr. Platt last night and designating Mr. James Adair as their spokesman, they presented him with a handsome gold watch and chain as a token of remembrance.

to put a stop to the petty thisving now going on in the city and he knows no bet-ter way to accomplish it than to drive out

Funeral of Mrs. Kosse.

Mrs. Augusta Kosse was laid to rest yesterday in Glenwood. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Blasburg of the German church and the following well

Installation Services.

George B. McClellan post and Woman's Relief Corps, Grand Army of the Republic, vill have public joint installation at Grand Army heil, in Mason block, Thursday night next. Prof. A. E. Doke and his guitar and banjo quartette will en crtain the audience with choice vocal and instrumental music. All Grand Army of the Republic people and their friends are cordially in-vited to be present.

Monday a Postoffice Holiday. Kindly publish that the postoffice will observe Monday as a holiday. The carrier, general delivery, stamp and regisletter windows will be open from 9

to 10 o'clock a. m.

The carriers having had no "Christ-mas," all working full time last Monday, they will make no trips on Monday, Jan-uary 2, New Year's day.

Sancho & Toujouse of Galveston, joined by several other creditors, yesterday filed a petition in involuntary bankruptcy

against E. Malavansos of Houston. Write were issued and brought to Houston and the property will be taken charge of as provided by law. Webster, Texas, December 31.-After

week of delightful weather the wind last night shifted to the north and today is blowing hard and cold, accompanied by

ight rain.

The county road gang has moved to Genora and the grading is nearly completed to that point.

Strawberries are showing some bloom, but are in danger of a salback should the mercury drop much lower. Acrenge about double that of last year.

CRESTON CLARKE.

CRESTON CLARKE.

As a romantic actor Creston Clarke is striking, interesting and forceful, as his art always has the true ring, and is at once fine and strong. Its mose striking characteristic is the intellectual force which pervades all his work. His comedy is easy and spontaneous, and his pathos subtle and touching. It is as a romantic actor that he is seen at his best, and in the work which is his own he proves his position, which talent appropriates, and even which mere akill abunes—the divine spark of genius; that power which puts vital force into persanation until the actor vanishes from the inind of the spectator, and the character itself stands in flosh and blood reality better the eve.



Balancing His Accounts,

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"Say, How Are



Prof. F. M. Newcomb,

L. Lechenger,

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quet, taking in manners, keen in reto and brilliant in all the surface charms and brilliant in all the surface charms a society, and the gentle innocent ignor ance of the child of the court jester—sweet simple girl who longs for the graunknown outside world as a child long for a new toy, showing how well she he learned her art, and with her talent show the boon of personal beauty. The compassupporting these stars is the strongouthat could be gotten together.

Mr. Clarke will open his engageme with "David Garrick" as a grand Ne Year's matinee and at night will appear his new and successful play. "The Rasgo Cavaller." Opera house tomorrow, main nee and night, January 2.

A MODEL STUDIO.

Teachers in any branch of art are aways judged by the result of their wor For this reason Houston has had very femusic teachers who could stand to measured by this test Of all the must eachers in Houston, and there are man MTS. C. A. Buriac is one of the few who pupils are her best and strongest indors ment. Among the best planists in the case index the mustage ware her must pupils are her best and strongest indoment. Among the best planists in a cay today the majorky were her pup and that she has taught here longer, p haps, than any other music teacher is a ply an evidence of the "survival of fittest." In addition to being a teach she is also a composer, some of her or positions being of splendid merit, not a her last. "Merci." now in Scusa's reptoire. Mrs. Bulac's methods of teach are thorough and her pretty studio in Mason block is well stocked with the music literature, to which her pupils ways have access.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The change in the jewelry business to Walter D. Tusten to S. H. Hart is nounced in this issue in a one-fourth g ad.—read it.

Mr. Tusten carried a magnificent so which was purchased by Mr. Hart a days ago, who will continue the busin the same location, 513 Main street, will aim to please all. He solicits a trade on the fact that his stock is on the largest and finest in the South for the further good reason that he skilled in his line as jeweler and we maker and is a diamond expert.

His connection here with the firm Sweeney & Fredericks and J. L. Mit covers a period of three or four years.

PRIZES AWARDED.

The transcribing contest given Massey Business college, which was fute by stenographens from all act State, resulted in G. E. Lindaly a first prize and Miss Minnie Ward so. The second winter term of the will begin Monday, January 2, rates and advantages are offered antidents who will enroll the first